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1. JUDGING FROM COMMENTS REPORTED REFTEL, SIAGURU WOULD SEEM TO HAVE A DISTORTED PICTURE OF SITUATION IN IRIAN JAYA.
IRIAN JAYA IS NOT RPT NOT A MAJOR TRANSMIGRATION AREA FOR JAVENESE AND IS UNLIKELY TO BECOME ONE. LESS THAN 1500
FAMILIES HAVE BEEN SETTLED IN IRIAN JAYA SINCE ITS INCORPORATION INTO INDONESIA, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL INDONESIAN SOURCE.
FUTURE PLANS CALL FOR ONLY 200 FAMILIES A YEAR TO TRANSMIGRATE THERE AND IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THIS WILL INCREASE SINCE THERE REMAIN MANY SUITABLE AREAS IN SUMATRA AND SULAWESI WHERE TRANSMIGRATION PROGRAMS ARE MORE CHEAPLY AND EASILY UNDERTAKEN. IT IS,
THEREFORE, DIFFICULT TO CONCEIVE OF IRIANESE BEING
"FORCED FURTHER AND FURTHER BACK INTO THE MOUNTAINS"
SINCE TOTAL IRIANESE POPULATION IS LESS THAN ONE
MILLION FOR AREA THREE TIMES LARGER THAN JAVA.
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2. NON-IRIANESE DO, OF COURSE, PROVIDE BULK OF IRIAN JAYA'S CIVIL AND SECURITY SERVICES. THIS IS OCCASIONALLY A SOURCE OF FRICTION. AS OUR PAST REPORTING REFLECTS, HOWEVER, RECENT SECURITY PROBLEMS IN IRIAN JAYA SEEM TO HAVE ORIGINATED FOR MOST PART FROM IRIANESE INTER-TRIBAL CONFLECT.

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